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Ursinus receives largest private donation in history

\$5 million gift given to the college by former student

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Recently, the single largest gift in the history of Ursinus College was made.

Mr. John F. Rodenbaugh, a member of the Ursinus Class of 1955, and his wife, Patricia, gave the gift of \$5 million.

The Rodenbaughs' gift recognizes the highly personalized education that Ursinus provides, and will go towards continuing to

strengthen the programs offered.

According to Dr. Fong's President's Perspective, "At Ursinus, the transformational effect that faculty have on students is legendary."

The gift was given to honor Professor James L. Boswell. Boswell was the former chair of the economics department.

This department is now referred to as the business and economics department.

Boswell, who retired in 1961, was the person who encouraged Rodenbaugh to attend graduate school. Rodenbaugh did not end up having this opportunity because he was drafted.

He became a very distinguished businessman, who retired as the Vice President of Banking,

Finance and Economics for Merrill Lynch.

Rodenbaugh said that this gift acts as a thank you to Boswell, whom he never got to thank.

The gift will go toward the Discovery and Innovation Center, and will benefit the entire campus.

According to the Ursinus website, the Discovery and Innovation center is "an interdisciplinary center that will connect the sciences to the entire campus and its multifaceted programs."

The Rodenbaughs were unable to comment. Rodenbaugh is currently in the hospital.

The same week Ursinus raised almost \$10 million in smaller gifts from other donors.

Parking at Ursinus

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Parking at Ursinus has been the source of many complaints, but it is a system that has also worked quite successfully for years.

Chelsy Paulose, a Campus Safety worker, said that much of the complaints are related to parking on Main Street.

"Many students, specifically residents living on Main Street, complain of the lack of parking spaces or the parking spaces being too small," Paulose said.

The parking behind Main Street buildings, like Commonwealth, is scarce, and sometimes even people who live there struggle to find a spot.

However, the parking system at the Reimert lot has worked for several years now with very few complaints. The color-coded parking spaces

system has helped to create a fair parking environment for students and staff.

One of the major complaints about parking is the lack of security. Some students, such as junior Bob Scaramuzza, believe that the \$100 fee for a year-long parking permit should be invested into some type of security system.

"If I am paying \$100 just to park on campus, I feel like my car should be protected," Scaramuzza said. "Someone could easily go up to my car and break in without anyone knowing."

There have been events such as break-ins and damage to cars on campus where the offender has gone unidentified.

"Students have damaged other cars, and we couldn't identify them," Paulose said.

An additional source of complaints come from temporary parking.

Often, students need to be in

a particular area of campus for a short amount of time, so they leave their car in an area that is not a designated parking area. This may result in a ticket.

"Students have received tickets due to parking in the wrong spot," Paulose said. "Many excuses, that I have heard, involve students temporarily parking at a certain location while working on a project."

Some students believe that this system is unfair. They believe that for the price they pay to park, they should have more freedom in parking wherever they want on campus.

However, if the system was shifted towards a more free system of parking, then campus safety argues that the complaints would go through the roof.

People would not be

able to find a spot near their living area as easily, since anyone, even people who do not live there, could take their spot.

Paulose believes that the current parking system has its flaws, but it is the best system that campus safety can employ with their given resources.

"While many students have problems with the current system, I think most people understand that every system is going to have its downfalls," Paulose said.

Students are allowed to repeal parking tickets if they have a legitimate excuse. What many students do not know is that you can only repeal the ticket within 10 days after receiving it. The repeal committee is made up of students and staff.

Students can also print out a parking permit for guests as well so that they will not be ticketed. This can be done when the guest is registered via UC gateway.

Homecoming King and Queen announced



Photo by Heidi Jensen

Ursinus homecoming queen Mary Kate McCrea and king Dave Nolan pose for photos with Bryn O'Neill, from left, Charles Messa, Molly Serfass and Mark Hickey. McCrea and Nolan were crowned during halftime of the Ursinus football game Saturday at Patterson Field.



Photo courtesy of Dallett Hemphill

Ursinus students gather around Civil War re-enactors during a past trip to Gettysburg, Pa. with the history department. The department will take the trip again Oct. 27.

History department takes students to Gettysburg

Returning trip to historic battlefields open to all of campus

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Ursinus College takes on the Gettysburg battlefields on Sunday, Oct. 27.

History professors, Ross Doughty and Dallett Hemphill, will accompany students on tours of select battlefields during the 150th anniversary of the site.

In the morning, a bus will transport the students and faculty and return to campus around 6:30 p.m., allotting plenty of time for a day spent at the historic landmark.

Hemphill said that the Ursinus history department has traveled with students to the Gettysburg

battlefields several times, with the last trip to the historical landmark made in 2008.

However, funding for every department is limited. As a result, the trip to Gettysburg becomes a lower priority in the department's curriculum.

This year, a generous alumnus provided the finances needed to make the trip affordable to students. This benefits not only the students but also the department.

"We are, as a department, trying to raise our visibility...on campus," Doughty said.

The trip to Gettysburg is one of many ways the history department is trying to make Ursinus students aware of what it has to offer.

The \$10 trip was publicized to the whole campus. Doughty has no idea if the 47 person bus

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Pa. Sen. Rafferty and Rep. Vereb speaks in Bear's Den

Pair will discuss current issues within legislature

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Students and faculty have an opportunity to hear both men speak on Oct. 28.

That night, the Ursinus community is welcomed to meet Senator John Rafferty and Representative Mike Vereb in the Bear's Den from 6-7 p.m.

Senator John Rafferty represents the residents of Pennsylvania's 44th district, which includes parts of Berks, Chester and Montgomery counties. He has received numerous awards, including 2005 Legislator of the Year Award, awarded to him by 44th Senatorial District.

Prior to being Senator, Rafferty was an attorney who focused largely on real estate, education and business laws.

Representative Mike Vereb is a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. He is serving his fourth term as a Republican, and has been re-elected to fill the role of the House Majority Secretary for the second term in a row.

Vereb has done extensive work

to extend the rights of domestic abuse victims, student athletes and many more.

The two men are coming to Ursinus to talk to faculty, staff and students about their work in legislation and current issues and topics within the state.

Topics of the discussion will include everything from liquor store privatization to the state budget.

Although the topics will vary, the two will talk about issues currently affecting Pennsylvania.

This discussion will allow students to become more aware of a

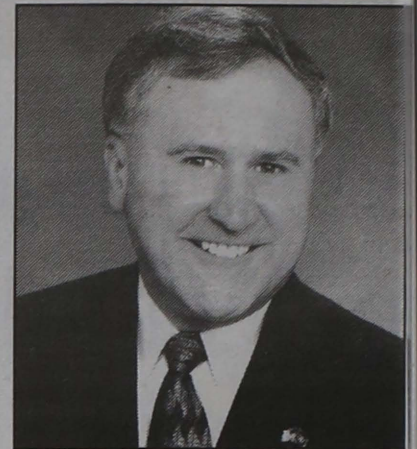
"(Politicians are) usually at a distance and on television, and we do not get to see them for who they are."

— Madeleine Borowski
Sophomore student

lot of modern issues to which the community does not get a front-row-seat point of view.

Hearing the two talk directly about the issues will give the audience an idea of how Senators and Representatives make decisions and how they plan, execute and analyze political decisions.

The meeting will be open to all students, not just for students involved in politics here on campus. It provides an opportunity



John Rafferty Jr.

for them to see two prestigious politicians in action.

The opportunity to witness this is something new to Ursinus because the campus typically does not host politicians of this level.

"It is a direct source," Madeleine Borowski, a sophomore and a politics minor said. "It is a good way to meet politicians and see what it is all about. They're usually at a distance and on television, and we do not get to see them for who they are."

After the talk, there will be a question and answer session for all in attendance.

This will be another opportunity for students to ask both Senator Rafferty and Representative Vereb any questions they have, even if it is not related to the dis-

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Visit the Grizzly website for exclusive video coverage of the recent premiere of the Berman exhibit "A to Z" and alums' interviews about how Ursinus College has changed since their graduation.

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will be full or not, but he hopes as many students as possible will take advantage of this opportunity.

Selected sites will be covered throughout the tour. Many of the sites include those mentioned in "The Killer Angels," which Hemphill's class is currently reading.

The First Ridge, Little Round Top and Pickett's charge will be the focus of those attending and will be thoroughly examined. These highlights are what are most familiar to the students as well as most of the attendees in general.

In addition, Doughty hopes to visit the National Cemetery, which is where Lincoln delivered his address.

There are also two re-enacting groups on the battlefield. Doughty anticipates seeing at least one group perform so that the students can experience the action up close and personal.

"Seeing the actual terrain will help them understand the outcome," Hemphill said.

In addition to the terrain, the new museum at the site and the visitor's center will also provide information to the students.

Doughty is not aware of how many students that are attending have been to the battlefield before or even how many students are planning to attend.

Doughty said that for anyone attending, it can be extremely impressive and even emotional.

"If you stand on the spot, next to where one of the first cannons was shot in the battle... you can envision those columns of troops coming over the road," Doughty said.

The sites allow students to put themselves in the situations of the soldiers, Doughty said. Hemphill agrees based on her own experience at the site.

"The first time I looked across the long, slow rise that was the ground of Pickett's charge, I wondered how the men could have been so brave to march straight into enemy fire that way," Hemphill said.

Hemphill is hoping for similar reflections and understandings to occur from the trip and to transfer into the classroom.

UC students volunteer to plant trees for non-profit

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On Saturday, Oct. 5, Ursinus students worked with the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy at Mayfield Estates to plant almost 100 trees.

The project was initiated by Emily Cooper, a junior UCGreen sustainability fellow.

The Sustainability Fellows Program is a leadership and professional development program on campus.

Fellows work closely and are supervised by the Office of Sustainability staff members to design and integrate on and off campus sustainability projects.

Another main goal of the sustainability fellows is to communicate with the campus community about complex sustainability issues.

Cooper is a fellow working on a self-proposed project. Her initiatives revolve around global water issues and getting the Ursinus community and beyond to recognize the water crisis at hand.

Furthermore, her position as a fellow entails educating the community about how the crisis can be dealt with and prevented.

Since one of the Perkiomen

Watershed Conservancy's main goals is to preserve and protect water resources, Cooper decided that they would be the perfect partner for her initiatives.

The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy is a nonprofit organization that fights pollution in the Perkiomen Creek and its tributaries, right in the Ursinus College community.

"I was interested in taking on the project with Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy because my UCGreen sustainability fellows project deals with educating the college community on water issues," Cooper said.

"PWC works with the communities that sit on the Perkiomen watershed to conserve it and ensure that our water systems and the ecosystems that live on the watershed don't get more polluted or damaged," Cooper said.

Brandon Hoover, the sustainability program coordinator, worked with Cooper in making the project a reality.

"My water issues project, as I said, relies on educating, and as Brandon Hoover said to me earlier, what better way to educate than through service?" Cooper said.

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cussion.

Students can ask the two about the issues they talked about or any other issues they feel are relevant.

The talk will not just be beneficial for politics students, though. All members in attendance will benefit from the event and get an inside look into American politics and how they are approached.

Lynnewood wins homecoming decorating contest



Photo from UCAlumni email

Lynnewood Hall won the decorating contest on Main Street in preparation for homecoming. Following the theme "Let the Good Times Roar," the prize was free homecoming T-shirts and \$100 of catered food.

Top stories from around the globe

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JP Morgan may pay record fine

According to the BBC, JP Morgan may pay a record \$13 billion fine to settle investigations into certain mortgage-backed securities. This relates to selling securities based on home loans, which led to the near collapse of the banking system in the U.S. at the beginning of the Great Recession in 2007.

The financial giant reached a deal to pay the fine on Oct. 18 with Attorney General Eric Holder. The \$13 billion includes \$9 billion in fines and \$4 billion in relief for struggling homeowners. This past year, JP Morgan lost \$9.2 billion due to legal costs.

Truck bomb kills 30 in Syrian city

According to the BBC, at least 30 people were killed by a suicide truck bomber outside the Syrian city of Hama. It is believed that the Al-Qaeda-linked Al-Nusra carried out the attack. Hama saw some of the largest demonstrations against Syrian President Bashar Al-Assad since the uprising began in March 2011. At that time, the Syrian government cracked down hard on protesters. This current bombing occurs as the Arab League plans to meet on Nov. 23.

When uprisings broke out in 1982 against President Hafez Al-Assad, Bashar Al-Assad's father, he sent troops to quell a Muslim Brotherhood led uprising.

Government shutdown ended

According to "The New York Times," Congressional Republicans conceded defeat last Wednesday in a fight with President Obama over the new health-care law. Congress approved legislation to extend federal borrowing power to avert financial

default.

The Senate voted 81 to 18 to approve a resolution, while the House voted 285 to 144 to approve the Senate plan. The current resolution would fund the government through Jan. 15 and raise the debt limit through Feb. 7. President Obama said, "We've got to get out of the habit of governing by crisis."

China summons Japan's ambassador

According to "The Guardian," China has summoned Japan's ambassador to protest against 150 politicians visiting the controversial Yasukuni Shrine. The Shrine honors 2.5 million people who died during World War II, including some class-A war criminals.

Meanwhile, Japan's Prime Minister, Shinzo Abe, decided not to visit the shrine himself, so that he could ease tensions with China and South Korea. He sent a ritual offering of a sacred tree branch to China. China and Japan are disputing over the Senkaku Islands, while Japan and South Korea are disputing over sovereignty of the Takeshima Islands.

Corey Booker wins NJ Senate race

According to "The Washington Post," Newark Mayor Corey Booker won the special election to become the U.S. Senator from New Jersey. Booker is replacing the deceased Frank Lautenberg who passed away in June. Booker won 55 percent of the vote, defeating Republican Steve Lonegan.

Booker is the first African-American Senator to represent New Jersey, and the Senate's current second Black senator, with Tim Scott. Booker can be one of the new Democratic Senators eager for the spotlight, as there are a handful of Republican Senators with growing profiles such as Rand Paul and Ted Cruz.



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Courtesy of College Communications

Dr. Holly Hubbs leads the Ursinus Jazz Ensemble for their semesterly show last spring. This year's show will be on Friday and will have a historical theme.

UC Jazz Ensemble performance

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The jazz band plans on doing things a little bit differently this year at their annual fall concert. This year's concert theme is the history of jazz. It will be narrated by students as the band navigates a journey through time.

The concert will be held in the Lenfest Theater in the Kaleidoscope on Oct. 25.

Director and associate professor of music, Dr. Holly Hubbs, has put together a performance that will take the audience back to 1920s style jazz, progressing to the style of jazz that is performed today.

In years past, the concert has almost always had a mix of modern jazz styles without any type of narration, which is true for most jazz concerts.

Not only will audience members get to enjoy the sounds of classical jazz, but they will be more informed than ever before. In between each song, members of the ensemble will explain the musical and historical background of the piece.

The hope is that the fresh historical spin on the show will fill seats.

To put together a concert like

this was no easy task for Hubbs as she directs a band that has gained eight new members this year with only about three hours of practice time a week.

Time is the biggest challenge for the group. Hubbs said it is important for the band to make time to attend practices and practice outside of these rehearsals.

"It's a pretty big role in a jazz band. (Ghaul) is just coming into college and being thrust into the position of lead alto."

— Holly Hubbs
Director, Jazz Ensemble

This is no easy task with the busy schedules of many members in the band. Despite this situation, the band has gotten rather lucky this year with the implementation of a talented group of freshmen.

"We lost both of our drummers who graduated, and we got two freshman drummers who are both very good," Hubbs said. "We had two alto saxophonists who graduated, but we got two alto saxophonists that are freshman."

Hubbs is especially happy with freshman and lead alto Jake Ghaul. Despite the fact that he is

in his first year at Ursinus, Ghaul has the daunting task of being the first chair lead alto. This is a position that Hubbs said he has been handling incredibly well.

"It's a pretty big role in a jazz band," Hubbs said. "He is just coming into college and being thrust into the position of lead alto."

Hubbs said that despite the youth, the band is rather loose. It is a group that has fun and enjoys playing together.

This does not mean that the group is not focused because they have a great amount of self-discipline.

Hubbs holds music education degrees from Quincy University and Western Illinois University and in 2003 received her Doctor of Arts degree in saxophone performance from Ball State University.

She has released three CDs: Mosaic Saxophone Quartet (Arizona University Recordings, 2005), The Music of Kathryn Thompson (Weston Sound, 2008) and Transcriptions (Weston Sound, 2010).

Hubbs has also published articles in the Saxophone Sympos-

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UC Energy Games

Residence halls competing to use the least power

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October is Energy Awareness Month, and as a movement to use less energy, the Office of Sustainability has developed a competition between residence halls.

The Energy Games are the Office of Sustainability and Residence Life's outreach program to work on lowering the campus' carbon footprint.

It is an annual energy competition among some of the residence halls happening the entire month of October. Residence halls compete against each other to see which hall can reduce its energy consumption the most in comparison to the previous year's consumption. A prize will be given to the residence hall that has the highest percentage of reduced energy compared to the previous year. Last year's winner was BWC.

In their announcement email to the campus, the Office of Sustainability and Residence Life gave an example of how the games would be judged.

"If BWC reduces their energy consumption by 20 percent in the month of October as compared to last year's numbers in the same month, they might be the winner," the email said, "but of course if BPS reduces their number by 21 percent, then they would be the winner, and so forth."

Each individual's actions in the hall affect energy use, and making sure their building can use less energy than the energy used the previous year is a group effort. This also helps gather information on the energy use of the college for Ursinus' Energy Fellow.

The Energy Fellow is one of many fellows that are part of the Sustainability Fellows Program. The Sustainability Fellows Program is a leadership and professional development program that is supervised by Office of Sustainability staff members.

This student mentoring program provides students with the opportunity to work on sustainability initiatives on and off campus within a professional setting. Sustainability fellows research, design and implement outreach projects and communicate with the campus community about

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Word on the Street

What resources do you wish were available at Ursinus that aren't currently?

"I wish there were more bus services to and from Philadelphia. I live here and go there regularly, but it's a real pain to have to make the two-hour drive regularly." - Melvin Ellis, sophomore

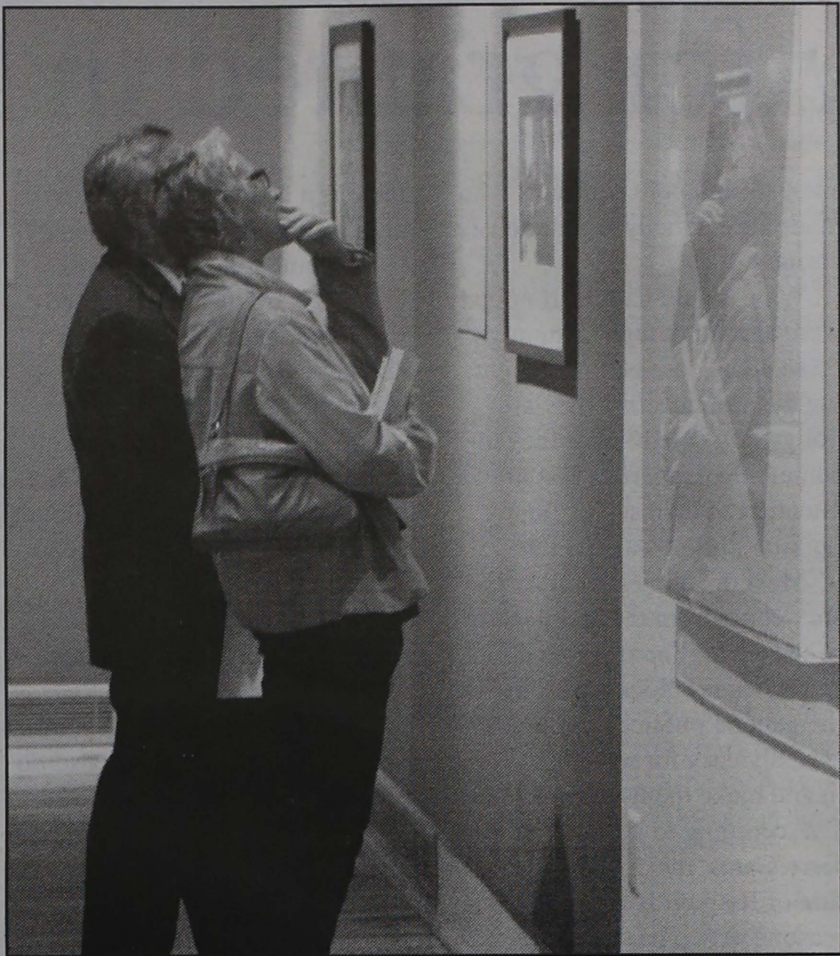
"I'd like to see more advanced technology in the science department. Some of what we have is pretty basic ... I'd like to see some more up-to-date machines." - Jane Lee, junior

"I'd like to see a bigger TV production program. I like television a lot, but there's not a lot of opportunity here to work on it." - Kevin Moore, freshman

"I would like to see more exciting entertainment options, like bigger artists and performers that a school our size wouldn't normally feature." - Colleen Fida, junior

New galleries at the Berman

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Courtesy of College Communications
Visitors gathered at the Berman Museum of Art last Thursday to view the unveiling of the A to Z art exhibit.

The Berman Museum has a few new galleries and exhibits for members of Ursinus and Collegeville to enjoy.

Charlie Stainback, the newly appointed director of the Berman Museum of Art, is particularly excited to unveil this fall's exhibit, mostly because it is his first project at Ursinus.

All of the artwork in the collection are on loan to the Berman collection and will be owned by the Berman Museum as of Oct. 17.

"The first exhibition makes so much sense because we're looking at this amazing gift, [the artwork], that just happened," Stainback said.

There are 1,400 pieces of art that had previously been on loan given to the museum.

"This is a great opportunity to jump right in, organize an exhibition with the students," Stainback said.

Stainback thinks the process of bringing the exhibition together is the most exciting aspect of it all. The artwork is being selected by students of his class who are randomly selecting letters of the alphabet from a hat and then picking an artist whose last name starts with the corresponding letter.

He described the process as being something new for everyone. Prior to Sept. 12, no one knew what would be featured in the selection. The process becomes most difficult when having to make a choice between two really good pieces of artwork, or when there is just one artist or work of art, making the options very limited.

"Students have been involved in making exhibitions at the Berman in the past," said Matt Shoaf,

professor of art history, "both as part of what is called the Curatorial Initiative — individual student curators — and as part of the Behind the Curtain exhibition on censorship, which was part of a class co-taught by Professor Deborah Barkun in 2010."

The things that make A to Z unique to Shoaf are its aim, scope, art selection and the depth of student involvement.

Junior psychology major Madison Reil is excited to see the exhibition come together.

"Last year the exhibition was really cool," Reil said. "I like how random the artwork in the museum was. The really cool thing about it is that most of the work is done by students, rather than it

being full of artwork from people I have never seen before."

One thing Shoaf enjoys most about this show is the ambiguity of the exhibitions art pieces and the overall idea of it.

This year's exhibition will offer the same dose of randomness as last year's did. There will be 26 works of art available in the Berman Museum starting Oct. 17, with one piece of artwork coming from pop artist Andy Warhol.

In the past, the Berman has been home to many selections of fine art. Ranging from selections from America's 18th and 19th century paintings, there will surely be something for everyone of all tastes, from the novice to the more advanced.

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complex sustainability issues.

As administrators of the environment within the community, the students develop communication and leadership skills that they can take from this program and apply to other jobs or educational projects.

The Office of Sustainability works with various collaborators across campus to host events throughout the year that provide the community with educational, enriching opportunities.

For example, student organizations, including Ursinus College Environmental Action (UCEA) and UC Recyclemaniacs, partner with the Office of Sustainability to host events, such as Earth Day or Clean Green Carnival.

The Office of Sustainability also collaborates with academic departments such as environmental studies, biology and art, as well as UCARE, the student

activities office, technology support, dining services, athletics, Residence Life and the Berman Museum of Art for events and programming. Interdisciplinary and cross-campus collaboration is a central building block of the Office of Sustainability.

The residence halls that are competing are BPS, BWC, New, North and Reimert. Updates will be put up every Sunday with information about which building has the greatest percentage in energy reduction of all the residential buildings. Residence Life is very supportive about the Energy Games.

Some of Residence Life's goals for this month-long event are to develop student's independence, their ability to communicate effectively and their appreciation for and engagement in a vibrant and diverse community. Another is for students to take on campus leadership opportunities, housing assignments, residential policies and procedures.

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sium, and presented papers at conferences of the North American Saxophone Alliance and the College Music Society. As a saxophonist, Hubbs has performed in venues in both the United States and Europe.

Through her experiences, Hubbs has learned how important an audience is to a jazz concert, and hopes there will be a strong turnout this Friday.

"So much of a jazz concert is the energy in the room: whether there are people in the seats, whether the people in the seats are receptive to what you are doing," Hubbs said. "Ninety-nine percent of the time, if there are people in the seats who are receptive to what you are doing, you put on a good show because you feed off of the energy in the audience."

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Community Week, 1:30-7:30 p.m.	UC Jazz Ensemble concert, 7:30 p.m.	Improv comedy show, 9 p.m.		Town Hall meeting with Sen. Rafferty and Rep. Vereb, 6 p.m.		John Van Druten's "Bell, Book, and Candle," 7:30 p.m.
	Annual Meeting of Society of Policy Scientists, all day					

Don't take safety for granted in Reimert

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Within these first few months of school, I've found myself asking whether Reimert is safe. Although I was a resident of the dorm last year as well as this year, I never really questioned my safety as a Reimert resident. I had a few conversations with suitemates about how easy it would be for a stranger to walk in, but never seriously considered security beyond that.

With the way things have been going so far this year, I think the question deserves further examination.

At the beginning of the year, an outsider walked into a party at Shreiner and stabbed a hole in the wall. From there he made his way to Reimert, where he was apprehended by Campus Safety and the Collegeville police due to the quick thinking of Shreiner

residents.

Another stranger came into Reimert during homecoming last weekend. What makes the story even scarier is that when he was caught, police found meth in his backpack.

We have been lucky enough in each situation to have fast-acting students and police officers who made sure nobody was seriously harmed.

Not weed, not more alcohol, but meth. Collegeville police confirmed the arrest by phone Monday night.

I'll be the first to acknowledge that for the most part, few people have been seriously hurt or harmed by the presence of uninvited guests on our campus. We have been lucky enough in each situation to have fast-acting

students and police officers who made sure nobody was seriously harmed.

What would happen if nobody were around though? Although these people are getting caught, the fact remains that they are not getting caught until they do something dangerous that draws attention to themselves. In my opinion, this is way too late.

Most of Reimert's safety issues come from the architecture of the dorm. There are no doors or barricades blocking it off from the general public, making it incredibly easy for anyone to come in and make themselves at home.

According to USGA President Jerry Gares, the open architecture of Reimert is also one of the reasons why it has become so popular on campus.

"One of the benefits of Reimert is that it's outside, so it's nice," Gares said. "It's an outdoor atmosphere so it's fun, but

there is a concern that Reimert is an area that anyone can go into."

To combat these problems, Gares has frequently proposed that more students bring their IDs with them when they go out. By doing this and having floating event directors walking around Reimert and checking IDs, Gares hopes to cut down on the amount of strangers gaining entrance to Reimert.

"I think we need to be more vigilant and proactive," Gares said. "I acknowledge that Reimert could be a safer place, but I think the students could also do more to make it safer."

For many Reimert residents, safety has never been a huge concern.

"Townies and strangers have never bothered me too much," sophomore Griffin Harkins said. "I live in a suite with seven of my closest friends so if anything really ever went down I know

they'd have my back."

Unfortunately, some confuse feeling safe with actually being safe.

In defending his stance on Reimert's safety, Gares brought up recent events in national news in which buildings with heavy security and multiple police guards have fallen victim to shootings and other violent crimes.

If it was so easy for people to attack those in these settings, who's to say that Reimert residents are not in danger simply because there have never been any serious incidents or complaints in the past?

"When you look at it practically though, you have to think about how much money it would cost to actually make Reimert safer," junior Matthew Krueger said. "I don't think anything will be done unless something crazy happens. Until then, I'll still be in Reimert every weekend."

Slut-shaming persists as a double standard

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The society we live in is extremely sexual. Biologically, a person starts experiencing sexual urges between the ages of 14 and 17. Notice that is a rough, estimated range, not set in stone.

Slut-shaming is a problem that is occurring around the world, including collegiate settings such as ours.

Megan Hanscom, a sophomore at Ursinus, has personal experience with slut-shaming. As a result, Hanscom found that she could no longer share opinions on the topic of sex and love.

"I did experience a lot of negativity on my activities on weekends ... I had relations with people and my friends told me that I was whoring it up on weekends, and I took that very personally," Hanscom said. "Even in high school, I had a steady boyfriend and my friends didn't approve of us getting together ... and I lost a lot of friends over that."

Hanscom said that she has always had a really strong opinion

on women's sexuality. She said women are sexualized at a very high level and are then told not to act on it.

"I guess that I have always been very comfortable with my sexuality, so I have never had an issue expressing that with someone who shares the same feelings as me," Hanscom said.

Among my interviewees, the central reaction to the topic of sex was the same: Why should you regret something that you made a conscious decision about?

Slut-shaming typically pertains to girls. The double standard between men and women is ridiculous.

According to CBS news, a survey of 19,000 college students conducted by a researcher at the University of Illinois at Chicago found that 12 percent held such a double standard.

Why is it okay for men to sleep around and not be regarded any differently, but women cannot?

"For guys, it's the trophy," Hanscom said. "For girls, it's the shame."

In my own experience, I have noticed that men tend to slut-shame for a few core reasons. When a guy feels rejected by a girl, he immediately has nothing nice or positive to say about her. I've watched this happen on numerous occasions.

I find that both men and women shame others when they feel inferior. This lack of self-confidence seems to be the cause of their need to put others down. Their own fear and need for confidence should not excuse them hurting other people.

It is frustrating to observe the assumptions that are made constantly. People watch others converse at a party, and if they leave the group, it is assumed that they are going to have sex.

Sure, sometimes this is true. But oftentimes sex is not the outcome of people simply interacting or choosing to walk off.

Often, the girls who are attacking other girls are simply reacting to their own lack of confidence in themselves and very often their bodies. Sex is a very vulnerable thing. It takes a lot of self-awareness in order for a

person to know what they want, go out and get it. If a person is confident enough in themselves to achieve the things that they want, then why shame them for it?

Professor of theater, Domenick Scudera, said people should be able to express themselves in any way they choose.

"There's something about finger pointing that doesn't sit well with me," Scudera said. "I just don't see why we would have to say that a woman who uses [or] expresses sexuality ... that that's not allowed in the spectrum of expression."

Scudera said that he is confused as to why people think there is something wrong for a woman to be sexual in any way that she chooses.

"It's as if there's something wrong with that for a woman, but a man doing something like that - you don't even think twice about it," Scudera said.

A person should not be defined by their sexual choices. We should never be defined by a number, let alone the number of sexual partners we have.

As a society, we must stop shaming others who are simply doing what they want to do. People who are confident in themselves, comfortable with their decisions and in touch with their needs should not be judged for their choices. When a person is ready to have sex, they should feel free to do so, whether they are 18 or 85. As long as sex is being done in a safe and consensual manner, it's something that is personal to every individual.

Stop slut-shaming. Whether a person never wants to have a sexual experience, or have relations with a large number of people - who really cares? How do their actions affect you? Bad-mouthing others for what they choose to do with their bodies is more shameful than whatever the so-called sluts could be doing.

Be more mature. Treat people and their decisions with respect, and stop labeling people, especially women, as sluts.



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Controversy surrounding 2014 winter games

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The Olympics are a time of hard work and a chance for the world to come together in a showcase of athletic ability, but the 2014 Winter Olympics have been clouded with controversy.

The Winter Games will be held for the first time in Sochi, Russia. President Vladimir Putin signed a law in June that bans "the propaganda of nontraditional sexual relations," according to a "Washington Post" article.

The law threatens consequences to those who promote homosexuality to anyone under the age of 18.

This caused people to question whether or not the United States should boycott the Olympic Games.

While President Obama strongly disagrees with the anti-

gay law, he does not believe that the United States should boycott the Games.

"We've got a bunch of Americans out there who are training hard, who are doing everything they can to succeed," he said during a White House news conference.

President Obama has confidence in the athletes making strong statements through their physical performances. He does not believe that boycotting would be fair to the athletes.

The mayor of Sochi, Anatoly Pakhomov, has a more passive attitude toward the controversy. According to him, there is nothing to worry about in Sochi.

He believes the city to be tolerant and respectful. He does not think that the law will affect the upcoming Olympic Games.

"It is their right to be as they are," he said in a "Washington

Post" article. "We just don't want them to force their ideas on others."

Rules were tested during the world track and field championships when Swedish athletes painted rainbows on their nails as a way to express their support for sexual equality.

Yelena Isinbayeva is a gold medalist in the pole vault and was chosen as the ceremonial mayor of Sochi's Athlete's Village.

She was reportedly unhappy with the "disrespect" to her country the athletes committed with their nail painting. A statement was issued later saying that her limited knowledge of English caused a misunderstanding.

To add more fuel to the fire, two Russian athletes in the 4x400 meter women's relay team kissed while they were on the medal podium at the world championships in Moscow in August.

According to ESPN, the runners have since made a statement declaring their kiss was not an act of protest, but was a form of celebration.

Whether this was done as an act of protest or not, the possibility that there could be a consequence is worrisome for the athletes that will be participating in Sochi.

Reports have not been confirmed about whether or not the law will be enforced against the participants in the 2014 Winter Games.

Despite all the controversy, the Olympics Games will still be about the athletes. The United States expects strong performances from many of its veteran athletes.

Shaun White defended his gold medal in the half pipe in the last games and is an obvious favorite. The International Olympic Committee even added a new

event, the slope style, which White could potentially medal in.

Hannah Kearney is the defending Olympic and world champion for mogul skiing. People will be watching her for her defending performance in Sochi.

The spotlight will also be on Lindsey Vonn to see if she can recover from her knee injury.

These are just a few athletes to watch in the upcoming Olympic Games.

Underneath all the controversy is the nature of the Olympic Games. There is the idea that the world can come together through competition.

"One of the things I'm really looking forward to is maybe some gay and lesbian athletes bringing home the gold or silver or bronze, which I think would go a long way in rejecting the attitudes that we're seeing there [in Sochi]," President Obama said.

McIntyre striving for excellence, on and off court

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The life of Anahi McIntyre has been very different than many Ursinus students. Born in one of the more urban areas of Brazil, a series of events led McIntyre to Cherry Hill, N.J., where she now resides with her family when not on the Ursinus campus.

Upon visiting Ursinus, senior McIntyre immediately fell in love with the campus. She had narrowed down her final choice between Ursinus and Haverford College.

She felt as if the campus was perfectly molded for what she wanted. She wanted a few things out of her college experience: a small, close-knit community where she could interact closely with students and professors, as well as a rigorous course load that would challenge her. She knew she could find these features at Ursinus.

"On my visit, the people on campus were so nice and outgoing," McIntyre said. "I truly felt as if I had been going to the school for years. I knew immediately this was where I wanted to spend the next four years of my life."

A biology and Spanish major, McIntyre has done very well in and out of the classroom. Upon

arriving on campus, she started playing for the Ursinus volleyball team. She is now in her fourth year and has become a dominant force on the court.

Growing up, McIntyre played soccer and field hockey. Volleyball was something that caught her interest as she got older. She started playing in high school and her love for the sport quickly grew.

"Anahi is one of the players on the team you want to get the ball to in pressure situations if we need a key point in the match," head volleyball coach Joe Groff said. "If given the opportunity and a hittable ball ... she will put it away. She has demonstrated that time and time again."

"Skill-wise, Anahi is one of our best front row attackers on the team and has an excellent line shot from the left or right side of the court. As a leader, she is a calming and a steady influence on the team in high pressure situations," Groff said.

In addition to her passion for academics and volleyball, McIntyre's true love is traveling. She loves nature and learning about new cultures.

She has visited Norway, France and England just to name a few countries in Europe. She has also visited the Caribbean and other countries, including Chile.



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Ursinus outside hitter Anahi McIntyre (4) stands with her teammates before a home contest this season. McIntyre has performed well in pressure situations for the Bears this season.

"My favorite place definitely has to be Antarctica," McIntyre said. "It's the one place I can't wait to visit again. It was truly beautiful."

McIntyre is planning on attending medical school after graduation, but a year off to travel is definitely an option. She hopes to spend her year off traveling the world, visiting communities and helping the less fortunate.

In her experiences traveling to so many countries, McIntyre has been greatly impacted by the less fortunate people she has come across.

Aside from her aspirations in the medical field, helping those in need is a top priority for McIntyre. The ability to use her skills she has acquired over her years at Ursinus is of paramount importance.

McIntyre's former Ursinus vol-

leyball coach Diana Clavin, who is the associate director of admissions, had nothing but fond memories of McIntyre from the time she spent as McIntyre's coach.

"I know she will go places and be successful in whatever she ends up pursuing," Clavin said.

"Anahi is one of a kind. She is one of the most laid back people I have ever met. She seems to get along with everyone."

Centennial Conference: Where the bears stand

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The athletic year thus far has had it's ups and downs for all the varsity sports. Football and field hockey are having exceptional seasons so far, with only a few hiccups in their scoring and rankings. Men's soccer, too, is doing well within the conference. While Women's soccer and Volleyball have struggled.

Men's soccer

Ursinus men's soccer captain Chase Crawford has been leading the charge on the field for the bears. The team has been putting together an above average season.

The team currently sits at fourth overall with a record of 7-6-1.

Another notable Bear is Ryan Murphy, who is leading the Conference in saves. As the team's goalkeeper, Murphy has stopped 66 goals placing him at the top of the Centennial in goal stops.

Women's soccer

The Bears sit just below .500 with a 6-7-1 overall conference record. With high spirits and a competitive drive the team can keep their momentum going as they continue their season.

The team currently sits at ninth overall in the conference. The Bears face a tough schedule and will look to take down conference leaders like Johns Hopkins and Haverford. Each team sits at second and third in the Centennial, respectively.

Volleyball

Ursinus setter Gina Powers described the season as having "a lot of ups and downs."

The team has been struggling in their season with a string of early losses. The Bears have attempted to get off the canvas, so to speak, with some decisive victories in early September against



Photo by Heidi Jensen

Ursinus running back Jason Golderer dives on top of his fumble to score a touchdown during the third quarter of the Bears' homecoming contest against Juniata, Saturday, Oct. 19 at Patterson Field. The Bears lost 28-7.

New Rochelle and Wesley.

"The conference is very evenly matched, and the way we have been playing as a team has been awesome at times but just too inconsistent to beat the other great teams in our conference," Powers said.

The team's current record is 7-15. They sit in last place in the Centennial.

Field hockey

Field hockey has been maintaining an excellent season currently standing third in the conference with a 10-3 record thus far. The Centennial Conference stats board is loaded with Ursinus players, including Megan Keenan, Stephanie Cooper, Danielle DeSpirito, Devin Brakel and Nora Kornfeld ranking in the top five for their respective statistics, with Keenan taking first in shots, points and goals thus far.

One of the most notable wins this season came against nationally-ranked powerhouse Messiah. The Bears won 2-1 on their home field.

Senior defender Jenna Stover said, "[Messiah] was a big win for us and especially the seniors who have been playing [against] Messiah for four years and can leave with the satisfaction of beating them at UC."

Football

Ursinus football, ranking 5-1 in the Conference overall, is having an exceptional season. The Bears sit at second overall in the conference.

Ursinus sophomore defensive end, Steve Ambs, was recently awarded the Kenneth R. Walker Trophy during his outstanding performance with nine tackles.

For Ambs, the award was bittersweet.

"It was an honor to receive the trophy at the end of the game, but the loss [to Juniata] really stings. We're going to have to bounce back against Susquehanna," Ambs said.

Overall, the Bears are spread out in different spots within conference standings, but at

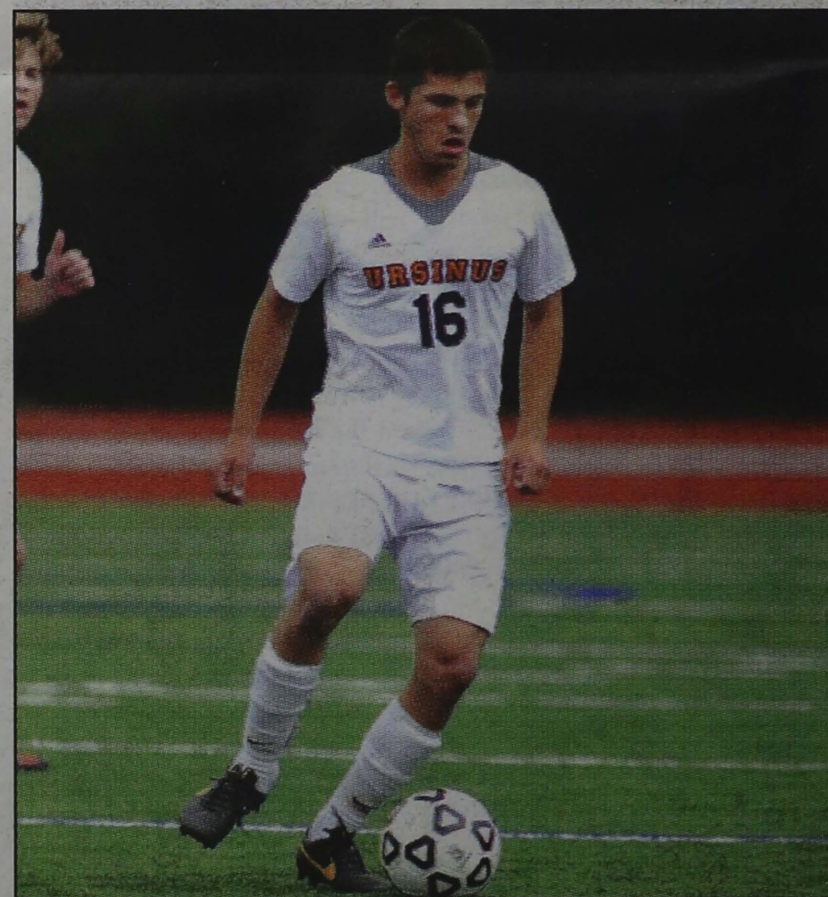


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Ursinus forward Aaron Nelson dribbles the ball up field during a match against Rosemont earlier this season.

this point in the season, all options are still on the table for the Bears. These coming weeks

will be crunch time for Ursinus athletic teams that hope to have a postseason.

Football

10/26: @ Susquehanna at 6 p.m.

Men's Soccer

10/26: versus Haverford at 7:30 p.m.

Women's Soccer

10/26: (Senior Day) versus Muhlenberg at 3 p.m.

Field Hockey

10/26: @ Muhlenberg at 1 p.m.

Volleyball

10/26: @ Penn St. Abington at noon.
Versus Susquehanna @ Abington at 3 p.m.